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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Security (PS)
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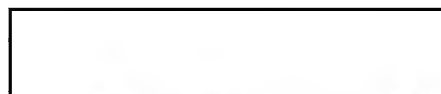
Attached is the Interrogation Research Division summary statement for the fiscal year 1972 for inclusion in the Office of Security report.



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INTERROGATION RESEARCH DIVISION

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1. Interrogation Research Division is primarily involved in a support function which responds to the requests of other components of the Agency. It conducts polygraph examinations as requested by the Office of Security and Clandestine Service components. [REDACTED]

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2. The primary goal of this Division is to increase efficiency in service, and to attempt to decrease the costs to the other components of the Agency who pay for the cost of travel from Headquarters for our services.

3. Case load statistics serve as the principal means by which accomplishments can be measured. The work load in IRD consists entirely of cases referred to the Division by the Office of Security and Clandestine Service elements. First priority is generally assigned to cases which represent additions to staff elements of the Agency. An attempt is made to honor promptly all requests from Clandestine Service elements. It is now becoming more difficult to provide prompt polygraph support service to the Clandestine Service elements since [REDACTED] Headquarters has increased over the previous fiscal year. IRD has lost several experienced examiners during the past fiscal year due to retirement. It has also given up examiner slots or [REDACTED]

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4. Work continues on the investigation of examiner consistency and inter-examiner agreement on polygraph chart interpretation and on the development of computer analysis of chart patterns. Preliminary evaluations of the utility of a computer-based system have shown mixed results. The present round of studies in these areas should reach a conclusion early in FY 1973. IRD is also evaluating cardi tachometry and two different forms of voice analysis as possible additional parameters for use in lie detection. A prominent practitioner of yoga aided in an initial assessment of physiological conditioning as a potential counter-measure to polygraphy, and the basic outline has been established for a more elaborate study of this area to be conducted in FY 1973.

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